PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Michael J. Cuppy

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Examiner: Shefali Dilip Patel

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For:

VASCULAR ACCESS DEVICE AND METHOD OF USING SAME

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is being sent in response to the Final Office Action of May 16, 2008. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims is requested.

The present response comprises the following sections:

- A. Listing of the Claims
- B. Remarks

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